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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Kenneth M. Slyter Confirmation No.: 3677  
 Application No.: 10/730,972 Group No.: 3632  
 Filed: December 9, 2003 Examiner: Alfred J. Wujciak  
 For: QUICK RELEASE SUPPORT POST AND ASSOCIATED METHOD

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 Commissioner for Patents  
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## PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

- This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of three (3) months to respond to the Office Action dated April 8, 2005.
- Applicant is ☐ a small entity; ☒ other than a small entity.
- Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5)):  

Total Months Requested	Fee For Other Than Small Entity	Fee for Small Entity
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$120.00	\$60.00
<input type="checkbox"/> two months	\$450.00	\$225.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> three months	\$1,020.00	\$510.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$1,590.00	\$795.00
<input type="checkbox"/> five months*	\$2,160.00	\$1,080.00

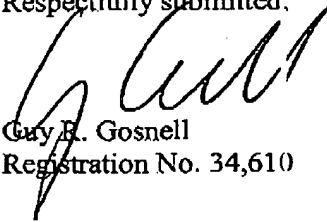
\*Cannot be used to exceed six-month statutory limit for response to an Official Action.

☐ A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed.  
☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for the extension fee.  
☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for any fee deficiency.

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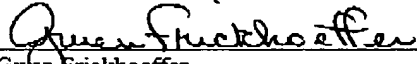
  
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